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MEMORANDUM FOR EXECUTIVE

Subject: M.I.D. Policy on Questioning  
Civilians.

1. In a memorandum for M.I.2, dated March 31, 1921, the Director enunciated the following policy to be followed in questioning civilians in search of information for use by this Division:

- (a) Unless the connections and capacity of the person questioned be fully known, the questions should only be of a general nature and so designed as to lead the person interrogated to discuss the question asked without disclosing the M.I.D. special interest therein.
- (b) The attached questionnaire must not be sent directly to civilians. This questionnaire is designed for use by Intelligence officers only, in order to give them a general idea of the scope of information desired by us when M.I.D. requests them to interview selected people.

  
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Lieut. Colonel, General Staff  
Chief, M.I.2

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*Wm. Payne*